

CSA institutes Clarke's first participation in Alcohol Awareness Week program

by Michael Cissne

For the first time, Clarke College participated in a national alcohol awareness week, Oct. 16-21.

The 5-year-old program is supported by the Will Rogers Institute and Adolf Coors Company.

Universities and colleges across the country took part in the National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. Students in these schools discovered ways to handle alcohol responsibility.

Clarke's participation in this program included two activities. First, during parent's weekend, the Clarke Student Association served "mocktails," or mock cocktails; strawberry daiquiris and coladas were

available without alcohol.

Second, on Wednesday, Oct. 19, a few hours before the Clarke-Clinton volleyball game, students at Clarke participated in a tailgate party in the Union. Normally, a tailgate party includes brats, burgers and beer. This tailgate, however, showed that students can still have a party without alcohol. Chef Larry James offered the picnic-type event.

CSA Senior Class President Jodi Abel, who organized the two activities, said, "CSA tried to promote things that say 'you can still have fun without any alcohol.'"

In future years Clarke will probably be more involved with alcohol awareness, Abel said, with some added help from the

health services office.

The Will Rogers Institute's goal is to inform Americans about alcohol so that they may become wiser about their alcohol consumption.

According to the institute, there has been a decrease in alcohol awareness over the past year. The institute feels it is time for a refresher course on alcohol so that students can make better decisions.

The Will Rogers Institute recommends five tips to be a better drinker.

After drinking—don't drive.

The day has come when that message is spreading better than ever, but yet, one American dies every 35 minutes in an alcohol-related auto accident. Find a designated driver, walk or don't drink at all.

Eat something.

Never drink alcohol on an empty stomach. Solid foods slow down the alcohol absorption rate. If you are hosting a party, serve food and plenty of mixers. Adding soda or tonic to drinks also slows down the rate of alcohol absorption.

Don't be pressured into drinking or drinking more than you wish.

If you don't feel like drinking, then don't. Pace yourself at your own rate.

Keep a watchful eye: cocktails should

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The staff of the Clarke Courier extends a warm welcome to all prospective students and open house visitors.

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London duo presents Dylan Thomas' 'Under Milkwood' in Clarke music hall

by Meredith McCarthy

The Belfast Telegraph called it "an extraordinary piece of theater." The Clarke community agreed, according to many of the students and faculty who had the chance to see Sylvia Read and William Fry in Dylan Thomas' "Under Milkwood" last 10, it can be harmful to the victim.

Dittburner said that an extra

guard has been added to campus se

urity. The guards are in full uniform and

visible. They are on duty from 7 p.m.

a.m. everyday. According to Dittbu

students can call and have a security

walk them from the Union to the dorm. That

is 556-1921, unit 304.

Besides campus security, students

protect themselves by not leaving or

middle door of Mary Josita Hall and

letting someone into the dorms that

don't recognize. "The dorms are a

minimal effort, such as calling se

or your R.A., you can protect you

and others."

If a student has been raped or the

about it. "Friends, family members, se

staff and faculty members, or a rape

development members, or a rape

center can be helpful. Also, "Tiffa

police are very responsive. "Tiffa

ed, "It is not shameful; a victim is

lesser person if they seek help."

Tiffany also mentioned that men

protect themselves. "It is a my

women are the only ones that get

protection."

On a nearly bare stage, Read and Fry

take on 20 characters apiece to show us

every aspect of the mythical village called

Llareggub. To some characters, it is a

place of wonder and love, to others it is

the place of secret love. No conflict develops

and no problems are solved. "It's so sim-

ple," said Mark Colbert, sophomore drama

major. "You get the idea of life that goes

on while we're too busy living to ever

notice. Sylvia Read and William Fry were

just amazing...every character was com-

pletely unique, yet they fit all together like

a puzzle."

Both Fry and Read have been in the

theater their whole lives. Read did her for-

mal training at the Royal Academy of the

Dramatic Arts and went on to take several

leading parts in repertory, on tour and in

the West End. She has written two books

of poetry and two novels. One of her plays,

"A Strange Coming," was the first produc-

tion of Theatre Roundabout and their first

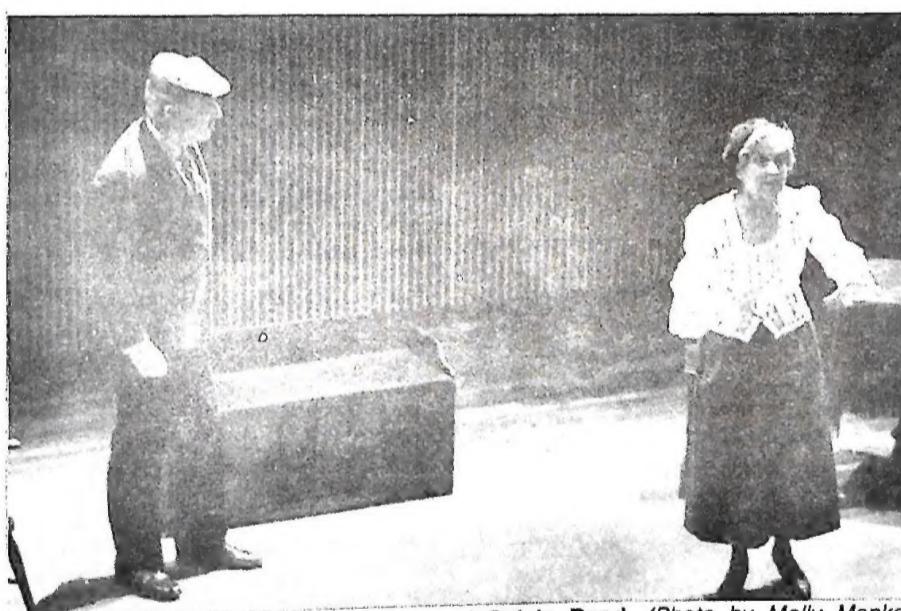
team effort. "Under Milkwood" is their 19th

two-person production together.

William Fry trained at the Liverpool Repertory Company and then worked in repertory, television and the West End. He received national press notice for his experimental production of "Pippa Passes," and his first play, "The Foggy, Foggy Dew," received an award from the Arts Council of Great Britain. Together they

share all the administrative work of the company between them, along with most of the acting, directing and script writing.

The Cultural Events committee was responsible for bringing the people to Clarke, to which junior Suzie Meredith says, "It's nice to know that someone is working to bring talent of this artistic caliber to Clarke."



Theatre Roundabouts William Fry and Sylvia Read. (Photo by Molly Menke)

Improper parking may result in fine

by Peter Pearson

Improper campus parking can lead to student and staff parking fines, according to Dave Hunt, physical plant director. Hunt said he issues a warning to illegally parked vehicles for first-time offenders. But if the same violation is repeated, the vehicle owner will be ticketed.

Fines range from \$3 to \$10, and repeat violators' autos may be towed by the city.

As cold weather sets in, more tickets are issued by campus security, added Hunt.

The reason for this is that during cold weather students and staff seek closer parking spaces. Most on-campus parking is close to the college. But with snowfall, the snow removal equipment is out, mak-

ing it more difficult to park closer to the school.

Hunt also said that parking vehicles in proper alignment during periods of snowfall can eliminate costly downtime by the snow removal staff.

The best campus parking for students during winter months is the soccer field lot or Terrence Donaghue Hall lot. For faculty and staff, the best locations are the administration lot, the Catherine Byrne Hall lot and the student parking lots.

Hunt also said that if on-campus parking regulations are followed by students and staff, more available on-campus parking will be produced.

Chemists test calcium level of five milks

by Kara Plemel

Are you aware of the minimum daily requirement of calcium, or which type of milk contains the largest amount of calcium per 8-ounce glass?

A recent study by Clarke chemistry students determined the amount of calcium in five different types of milk. The milks tested were: a generic brand of powdered milk (reconstituted with water), lactic, low-fat one percent milk and skim and whole milk from the Clarke Square.

The method that the chemists used to discern the calcium content is called indirect titration. A coloring agent, or indicator, which is purple, was added to a sample of milk. The coloring agent formed a weak bond with the calcium in milk, turning the solution blue. Not all the calcium was bonded by the coloring agent, however.

A substance called ethylenedinitrilotetraacetic acid (EDTA) was slowly added to the milk. The EDTA formed a bond with the free calcium, then with the calcium previously bonded with the indicator. The indicator returned to its original purple color because all the calcium bonded with the EDTA; therefore, the amount of EDTA added equaled the amount of calcium present in the milk.

For each milk sample the amount of calcium was determined in a sample of water. The amount of EDTA added to the milk was subtracted from the amount of EDTA added to the water. This calculation produced the amount of calcium in milk without any calcium from the water contained in the milk.

The variance in amounts of calcium in the different types of milk was so small that one milk was not considered better than another.

The milk that contained slightly more calcium than the others was the powdered milk.

The minimum daily requirement of calcium for men and women is 1200 milligrams. The average amount of calcium found in the milk samples was 1455 parts per million. This is equivalent to 342.3 milligrams in an 8-ounce glass. Therefore, it would require approximately three and a half 8-ounce glasses to fulfill the minimum daily requirement of calcium in a person's diet.

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Announcements, Briefs & Coming events

Announcements

The public is once again invited to participate in Clarke's annual UNICEF card sale and tea Sunday, Oct. 30, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the atrium. Christmas cards, calendars, games and miscellaneous paper and stationery will be on sale.

Proceeds from the sale of UNICEF items assist governments in developing countries to improve living conditions for children and mothers throughout the world.

UNICEF was founded in 1946, one year after the end of World War II, primarily to help children who needed food, clothing, shelter and emergency medical care in Europe. Today, UNICEF works in over 100 developing countries to assist children and mothers with health care, education, nutrition, etc.

Support for UNICEF means support for the pledge to offer "A Future for Every Child."

Sale items will also be available the following week in the Clarke bookstore.

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An invitational photography exhibition, featuring photo artists from across the country, will be on display in the Quigley Gallery Oct. 25 through Nov. 11.

The exhibit will explore contemporary artistic ideas and techniques currently being pursued in photography. Among the twelve exhibitors are Clarke's own professional photographers Hank Goldstein and Mark Van Osdol.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. weekdays and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. weekends.

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Students interested in spending four to six weeks in Quito, Ecuador, working with the poor at the Working Boys' Center may apply now for the 1989 Clarke Quito Summer Grant.

Applications may be picked from bulletin boards in the lobby of Catherine Byrne Hall or across from the post office. They must be returned to S. Barbara Kutchera, box 1588, or to S. Pat Nolan, box 1535, by Nov. 17.

The Working Boys' Center was formed for the shoeshine boys and other working boys in Quito in 1964. Currently, it is a family-centered program dedicated to providing changes in education, sanitation and nutrition for the poor of the city.

Clarke graduates and faculty have worked

ed in the center and raised awareness and appreciation for its work since it was founded, said Kutchera. The 1989 grant recipient will live at the center with BVM sisters, Jesuits, and lay volunteers.

Bridget Mooney, a 1988 Clarke graduate, was the first recipient of the Quito grant last year.

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Margaret Kolk, director of alumni relations at Clarke, has been awarded the Newcomers' Scholarship from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

Kolk was chosen through a competitive selection process as a person new to the college advancement profession who has a high degree of motivation and promise.

Kolk was named director of alumni relations at Clarke in July, 1987.

Briefs

A new big-screen television was stolen from the Clarke Union after midnight Saturday, Oct. 8.

Business Manager Doyle Woods said the 42-inch television, which had been in the Union for six weeks, was apparently taken out of the Union through the back, where tire tracks from a truck are still visible.

"We had the TV bolted down for security reasons," said Woods, "but someone unbolts it and stole it."

The theft was discovered on Saturday evening by food service director Larry James. "I was getting the Union ready for 'Saturday Night Lively,'" said James. "Dennis Ahern asked if he could turn on the football game. I said, 'No way. We have a band coming in.' Then I looked and noticed that the TV was gone."

Woods said he believes the theft occurred shortly after closing on Friday. He said security had checked the Union at closing.

"We have called the police, so they have the information," said Woods. "We have a \$100 reward for information leading to the recovery of the TV."

Coming events

To celebrate Halloween, the senior class will sponsor a haunted house in Mary Frances Hall Thursday, Oct. 27, from 8 p.m.-10:30 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 28, from 8 p.m.-10 p.m. A special "Lights-on" run has been set for children on Thursday from 7 p.m.-8 p.m.

New development in ghost story of Mary Frances Hall

by John Siegworth

Whether you work at Clarke or are a student, it's likely that you've heard some of the legends surrounding the haunting of Mary Frances Hall.

Recently, a new ghost story has been added to the repertoire. A new Clarke faculty member, who had been unaware of the legend, said he had some unusual experiences of his own.

History Associate Professor Gerald Theisen, Ph.D., said that several weeks ago he was living in the empty dormitory, which had been closed to students in 1987 due to excess dorm space. "I was staying in Mary Fran while waiting for my family to move to Dubuque," said Theisen.

One morning, Theisen "woke up at about 3 a.m. and saw two black cats in my room. I reached out and tried to grab them, but they fell to the floor and disappeared."

"A little while later, I woke up again and saw a woman looking at me. I think she was worried that I was trying to get her cats. I said, 'Who the hell are you?' and she suddenly disappeared," said Theisen.

Theisen believes the vanishing acts might be explained by his waking suddenly from a dream. He told his experience to several people, who then told him there was a legend about the building being haunted.

According to legend, a student once committed suicide in a fourth floor bathroom of Mary Fran. The entire floor of the wing, it is said, was painted red because the blood stains could not be removed; hence it became known as "red wing."

The people who heard Theisen's story were shocked, he said, when they discovered he didn't know about the building's history.

Another part of the legend says that the ghost of Clarke's founder, Mother Mary Frances Clarke, wanders the halls. Theisen discounted the theory that the woman he saw was Mary Frances Clarke. "She was younger, like a student," he said. "She had long, dark hair. Someone said that could be her habit, but that wasn't it."

Theisen was staying on the first floor of the building, which is several floors below red wing; however, people have reported strange activities in other parts of the building.

According to an article that appeared in the spring 1988 Catalyst, students have reported eerie yellowish-white light, laughter from empty showers and evil sensations in the chapel.

Junior Kevin McDonald, who lived in Mary Fran the second semester of his freshman year, said unexplained door slams were common. "Sometimes doors would be unlocked and sometimes not," he said.

McDonald also said window shades and light switches were known to move by themselves. "One night when I came home, my bed was messed up and my chair was upside down and shoved inside my desk," he said. "My room was locked."

Theisen and McDonald are not the only ones who have experienced aberrant feelings about Mary Frances Hall. Freshman Scott Mugan, 23, said, "I feel someone—or something—is watching me from Mary Fran everytime I go to the Union."

O.S.S. security guard Marc Vierel said he checks Mary Fran at least once per night during his rounds. However, he said he hasn't seen anything unusual.

'I've never seen or heard anything that I couldn't explain. It's simply a noisy old building.'

Vierel said John Dohve, a guard who currently works at FDL Foods, saw a decapitated doll head in the Union and suspected students were playing pranks.

Theisen said he didn't suspect there were any students playing pranks in the building when he was staying there.

Steve Cue of maintenance said he has heard many stories about Mary Fran but has "never seen or heard anything that I couldn't explain. It's simply a noisy old building."

Mary Fran isn't the only building on campus with ghost stories.

Former drama student Brian Baker, who worked in Terrance Donaghoe Hall quite a bit during his time at Clarke, said, "Like every good theater, it is haunted."

Baker said the third play of every season is cursed. Something always goes wrong. The lightboard goes out, or something goes wrong with the costumes and props. The problem always fixes itself before someone comes to fix it."

"Theater people—actors, directors and technicians alike—are superstitious by nature. We don't like to mention 'Macbeth' in the theater, especially while working on another production. We don't wish each other good luck; we tell each other to break a leg. It's only natural, I suppose, that we believe in ghosts," he said.

Sophomore Dirk Wiese said he heard that TDH was built over a former Indian burial ground.

Drama Department Chair Carol Blitgen, BVM, said, "In over 30 years I haven't experienced any sort of strange phenomena" in TDH. She also said she had heard nothing about the burial-ground story. If there are ghosts, Blitgen said, "they stay away from me. I must be wearing the wrong perfume or something."

Blitgen said the situation with the lightboard was "just a problem with the system." She said the other problems were largely human error. "Some people like to blame their mistakes on ghosts."

On Oct. 27-28, the senior class will present the annual Halloween haunted house in Mary Fran from 8-10:30 p.m. A lights-on children's matinee will be held from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

When asked whether or not she expected to see any real ghosts in the building, Senior Class President Jodi Abel said, "I hope not. I don't want to see any."



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